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After ten long years,  
the iron-fisted rule of  
**DOCTOR ROBOTNIK**  
over planet MOBIUS  
was believed to  
have finally ended!

With the  
technological  
tyrant vanquished  
and his polluted  
factories shut  
down, order  
and beauty were  
restored to the city  
of MOBOTROPOLIS.  
Now the villain has  
returned to wreak  
havoc once more,  
but there are many  
who are willing to  
stand against  
him in the fight  
for freedom.

The bravest  
among them is a  
brash, blue streak  
who just happens to  
be the fastest thing  
alive! **ARCHIE**

**COMICS**  
**AND SEGA**  
**PRESENT...**  
**SONIC THE**  
**HEDGEHOG**

I DON'T KNOW  
WHY I'M BACK.

THIS PLACE DOESN'T  
EXACTLY HOLD THE BEST  
MEMORIES FOR ME.

ACTUALLY, I DO KNOW  
WHY I'M BACK.

I JUST HAD TO PAY  
MY RESPECTS...

...TO EDDY.

# NAUGUS GAMES

CHAPTER 1

WE CAME IN SEARCH  
OF THAT UGLY WIZARD,  
IXIS NAUGUS.

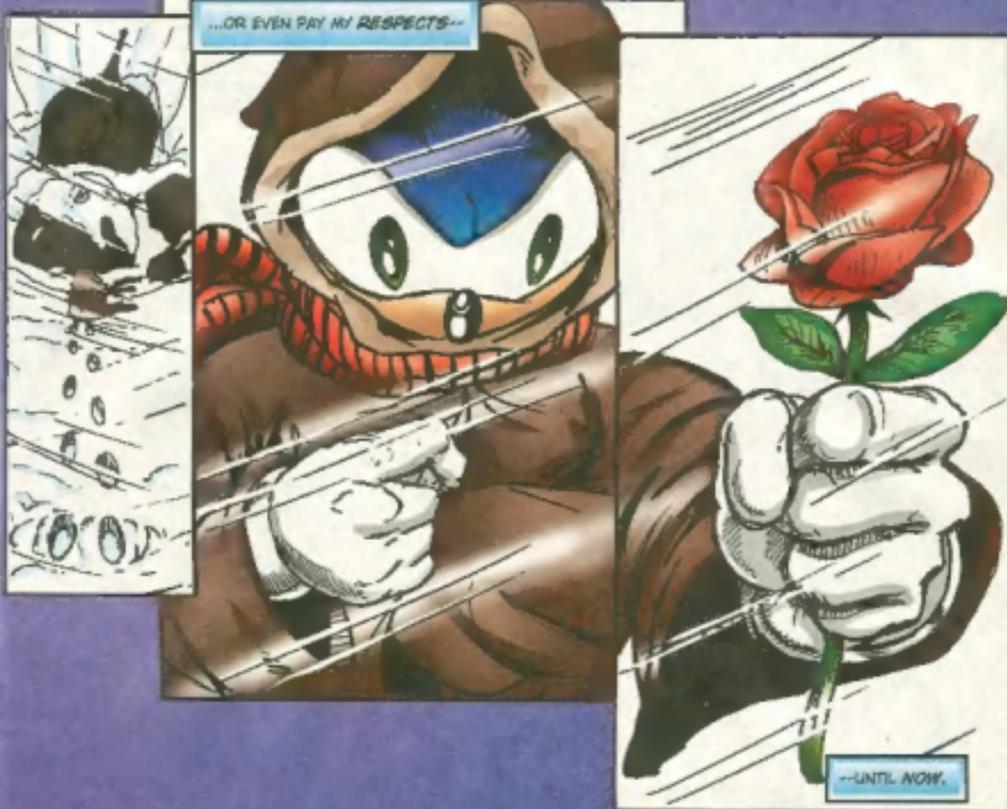
THAT BROUGHT US HERE TO THIS  
CASTLE IN THE SOUTHERN TUNDRA,  
WHERE AN OLD HERMIT, NATE MORGAN,  
AND HIS PROTECTOR, EDDY, LIVED.

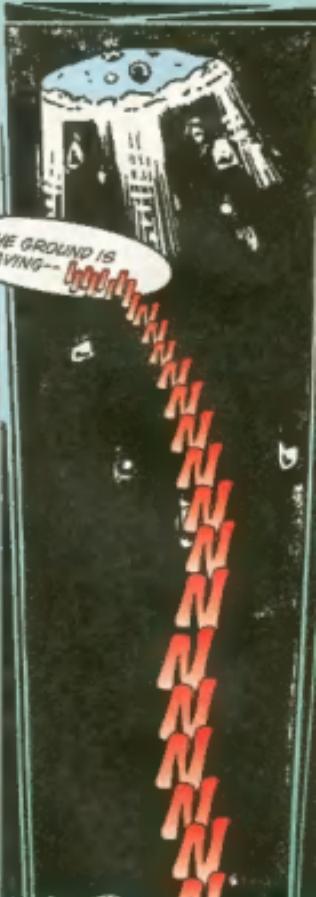
OL' IXIS THOUGHT HE COULD  
STEAL ALL OF NATE'S POWER  
RING SUPPLY IN THE CASTLE.

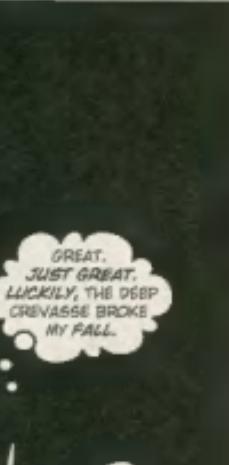
WE USED THE RINGS TO TURN INTO  
OUR SUPER SAVAGES! TO FIGHT AN  
ULTRA-POWERFUL BOSS. WE WORKED  
TOGETHER TO BEAT HIM BACK  
TO THE FORBIDDEN ZONE.

AND THEN EVERYTHING  
CAVED IN AND EDDY...

AND EDDY...







GREAT.  
JUST GREAT.  
LUCKILY, THE DEEP  
CREVASS BROKE  
MY FALL.



NOW, HOW AM I  
SUPPOSED TO GET  
OUT OF HERE?



LET'S SEE...  
I'M NOT GETTING  
OUT THE WAY  
I CAME IN.



IT'S PITCH BLACK!

I CAN'T SEE MY  
HAND IN FRONT  
OF MY--

**THUMP!**



WHY-WHY-WHY-WHY-WHY...?





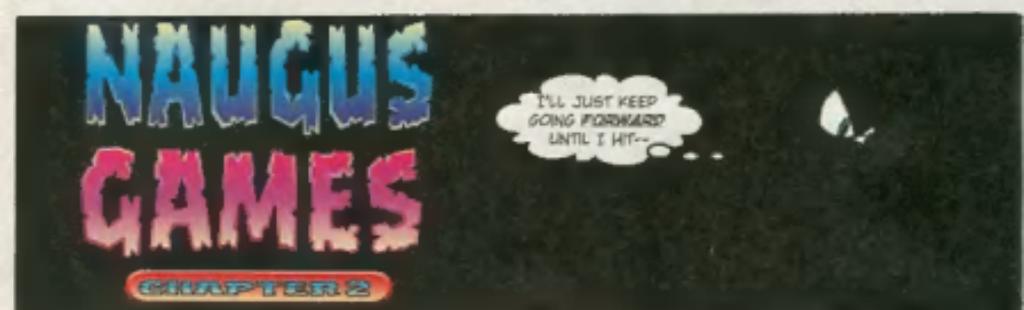
I'M NOT HAPPY.



ALL RIGHT! NOW I'M GETTING MAD. THERE'S NO WAY THE HEDGEHOG IS GONNA GO OUT WITHOUT A FIGHT.

# NAUGUS GAMES

CHAPTER 2



I'LL JUST KEEP GOING FORWARD UNTIL I HIT--



PAYDIR!



IT'S ANOTHER  
OPENING... ■■■  
I CAN REACH.

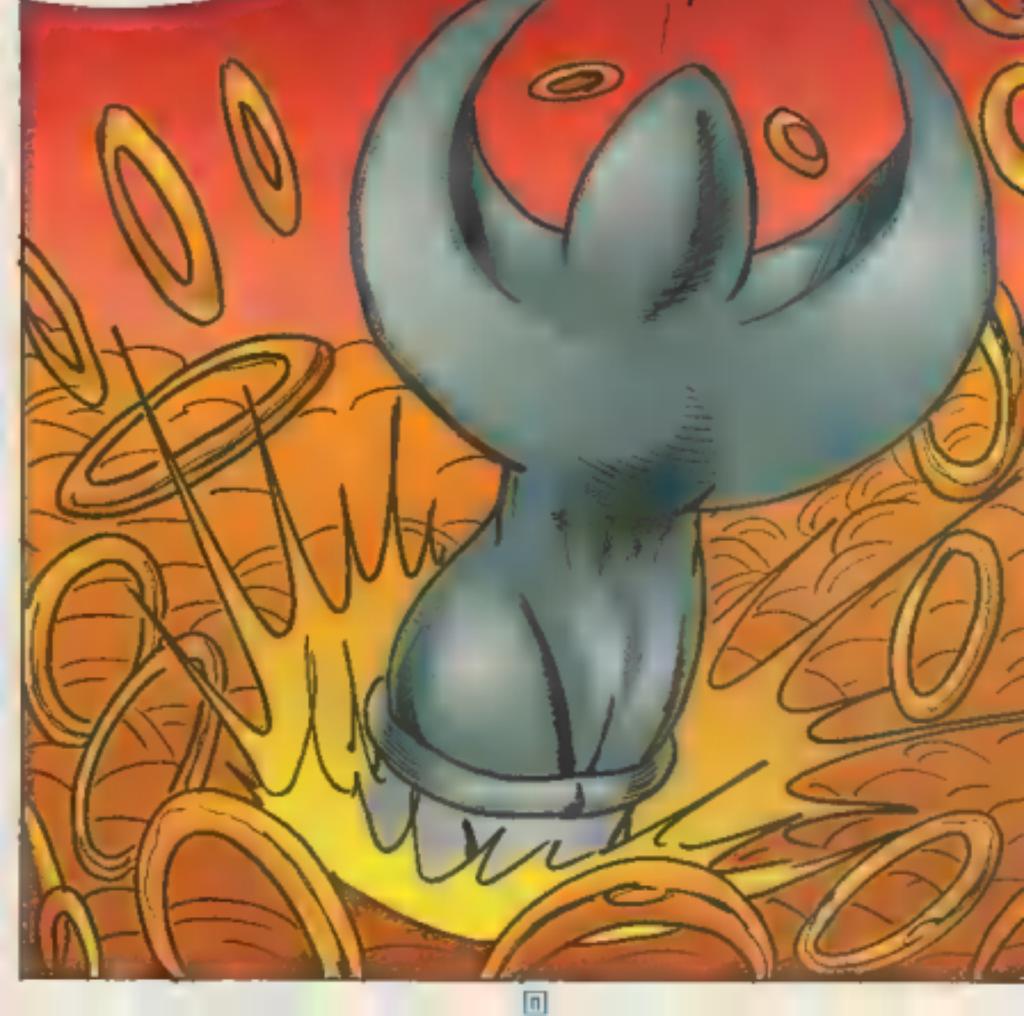








WHAT DID  
I JUST DO?



"DID I JUST WISH  
FOR... NAUGHIS!?"

THAT'S RIGHT.



... YOU DID--OR  
AT LEAST I TRICKED  
YOU INTO DOING IT!

NOOBIE  
IT CAN'T BE--



OH, BUT IT IS.  
ALL THAT MORGAN DID WAS PULL  
THE POWER RINGS OUT OF MY BODY  
TO SEND ME BACK. HOWEVER, I STILL  
HAD A [REDACTED] CONNECTION [REDACTED] THEM.  
AS [REDACTED] AS SOMEONE BEGAN  
TO USE THEM, I WAS ABLE TO  
[REDACTED] IT TO MY PURPOSES.



YOU MAY HAVE TRICKED MY  
BLUNT, UGLY, BUT I WILL  
MAKE [REDACTED] YOU GO [REDACTED]  
[REDACTED] YOU [REDACTED]



REALLY? I'D LIKE TO  
SEE THAT...ESPECIALLY  
WHEN I CAN DO--

# NAUGUS GAMES

STORY BY: JEFF JONES

--THIS!!

Zazznack

YOU'RE NOT  
THE ONLY ONE WITH  
SUPER POWERS!

ZZZOOOPPPPII

THAT'S RIGHT, RODENT!  
RUN-- RUN AS FAST AS YOU  
CAN, FOR MY VENGEANCE WILL  
BE ALL CONSUMING!

YEAH, YEAH, YEAH!

LET HIM THINK WHATEVER HE  
WANTS TO THINK. HE DOESN'T  
NEED TO KNOW THAT I JUST  
NEED ROOM TO JUICE!

YOU MOCK ME AT  
YOUR PERIL!!

YIKES!!!

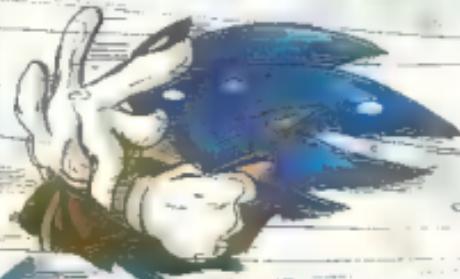
ZZRAAAASSSSHHE

HE ALMOST HAD ME  
FRIED RIGHT THERE.

YOU MAY HAVE  
AVOIDED MY BLASTS OF  
FIRE AND BRIMSTONE--

HOWEVER, I AM A  
MASTER OF THE ELEMENTS!  
NOW EXPERIENCE THE  
OVERWHELMING POWER  
OF A SNOWSTORM!

NO THANK YOU.  
I CAN DO WITHOUT  
THE TRIAL RUN.



HEY, NAUGY... CAN'T  
WE TALK ABOUT THIS?

AT LEAST I WOULD IF  
I COULD █ YOUR  
BIG UGLY MUG.

I WISH I WAS JOKING  
ABOUT THAT, I REALLY CAN'T  
SEE ANYTHING. I DON'T KNOW  
WHAT'S WORSE, THIS... OR  
THE CAVE OF DOOM.

THE WIND IS  
BLOWING SO HARD,  
IT'S TOUGH TO  
HEAR NAUGUS  
APPROACHING.

WHERE IS HE--

WONDERING WHERE  
I AM, SPEEDSTER?  
RIGHT NEXT TO YOU.

WHAT?

WAAK

UGH

# NAUGUS GAMES

BUT THE HEDGEHOG  
DON'T BEAT THAT ■■■■■.  
EVEN THOUGH I CAN'T SEE  
AN INCH IN FRONT OF MY  
FACE...I'M ■■■■■ REV  
ALL OVER THE PLACE.

TRYING TO RUN AWAY,  
HEDGEHOG? THERE'S  
NO USE. THIS STORM  
WILL FOLLOW YOU  
EVERWHERE YOU GO.

THAT'S OKAY, NALLY. AS LONG  
I'M RUNNING, I'M HARD TO HIT.  
C'MON, YOU DIDN'T THINK I'D BE  
THAT EASY TO BEAT. ■■■ YOU?

ALL RIGHT.  
NOW WHAT? I  
CAN'T BE RUNNING  
AROUND IN THIS  
BLIZZARD ALL DAY.

EVENTUALLY, I'LL TIRE  
OUT AND THEN NAUCUS  
WILL BE ALL OVER ME.

ACTUALLY, RODENT,  
YOU ARE MAKING THIS  
EXERCISE IN FUTILITY  
QUITE ENTERTAINING.

WHAT ARE YOU  
TRYING TO DO,  
BEAT ME WITH YOUR  
EXTRAVAGANT  
VOCABULARY?

I'VE BEEN AROUND  
RODOR, WHO MAKES  
YOU SOUND LIKE A  
THIRD GRADER.

> STILL YOUR  
TONGUE!



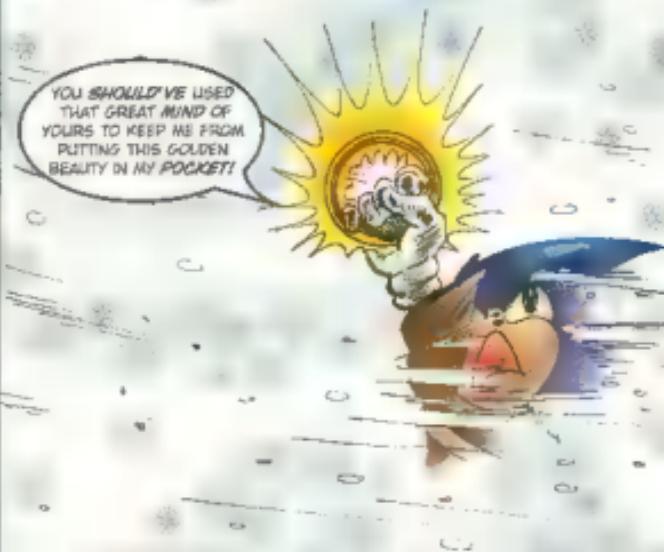
NO, IT IS YOU WHO  
LACK MIND! WAS IT NOT  
MY STRONG MIND THAT  
TOUCHED YOU FROM  
ANOTHER DIMENSION?

WAS IT NOT MY MIND  
THAT FORCED YOU TO USE  
THAT POWER RING TO  
SET ME FREE?

POWER  
RING--?

YOU MEAN LIKE  
THIS ONE.

YOU SHOULD'VE USED  
THAT GREAT MIND OF  
YOURS TO KEEP ME FROM  
PUTTING THIS GOLDEN  
BEAUTY IN MY POCKET!





Nooooo



MARK MY WORDS,  
SPEEDSTER!!  
WE WILL MEET AGAIN...  
WILL MEET AGAIN...

DO YOU  
ME SIGHTED?  
DO YOU HEAR—

YEAH, YEAH, YEAH...  
AND THE HOG  
WINS AGAIN.

I WASN'T GOING  
TO GIVE UP AFTER  
THE TROUBLE WE WENT  
THROUGH TO SEND  
YOU BACK TO THE  
FORBIDDEN ZONE.

OF COURSE, I DON'T HAVE  
ANY MORE RINGS, AND I AM NOT  
GOING BACK TO THAT HOLE  
TO GET ANOTHER ONE.



A RAINY  
NIGHT  
IN THE  
CITY.

BAD  
TIME  
AND  
PLACE  
TO  
BE  
ALONE.

WHICH I'M NOT.

SWATBOTS!

I HATE TO  
BREAK UP A  
MATCHED  
SET, BUT...

# SONIC SPIN CITY



I FIGURE A FIGURE EIGHT WILL DO IT...

RIGHT AS RAIN.

THEY SAY OIL AND  
WATER DON'T MIX...

I LIKE THE COMBINATION.

ONE OF THEM DROPPED A MATCHBOOK.

RUSTY'S... I  
KNOW THE  
DUMP...

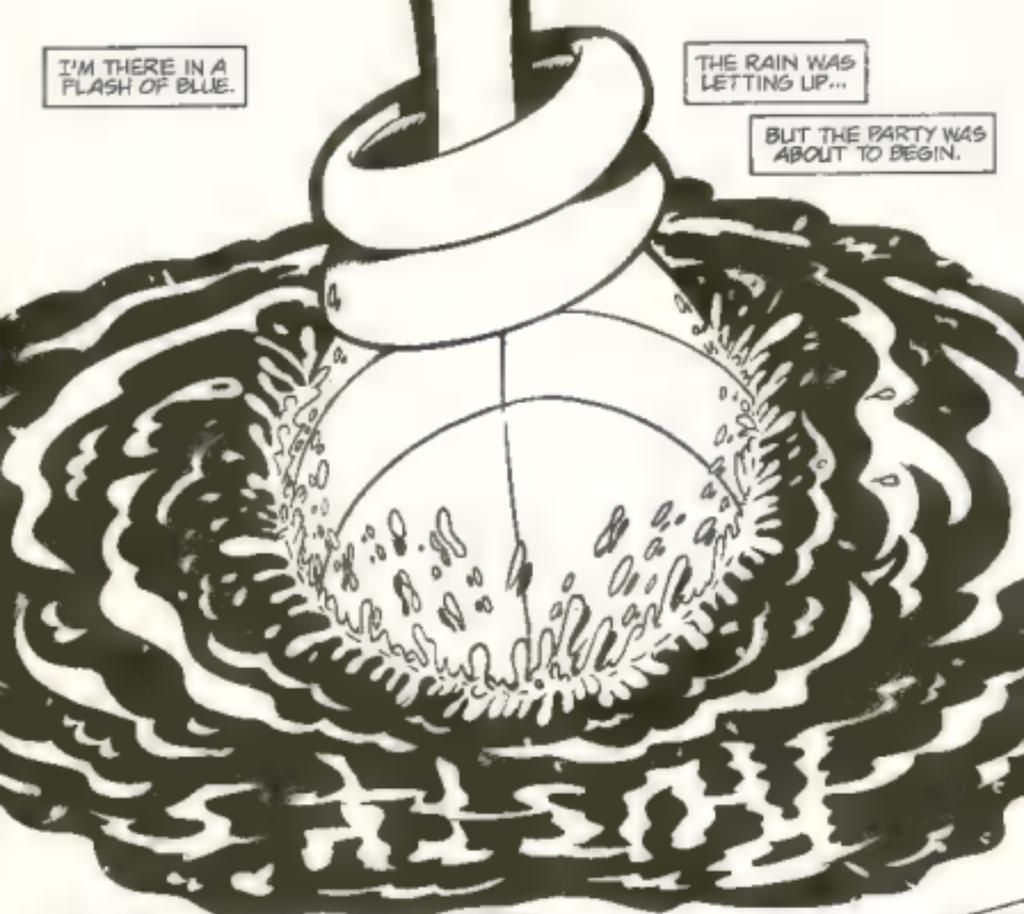
NOT FAR  
FROM HERE.

IS IT JUST ME, OR DOES THIS  
SMELL LIKE A SET-UP?

I'M THERE IN A  
FLASH OF BLUE.

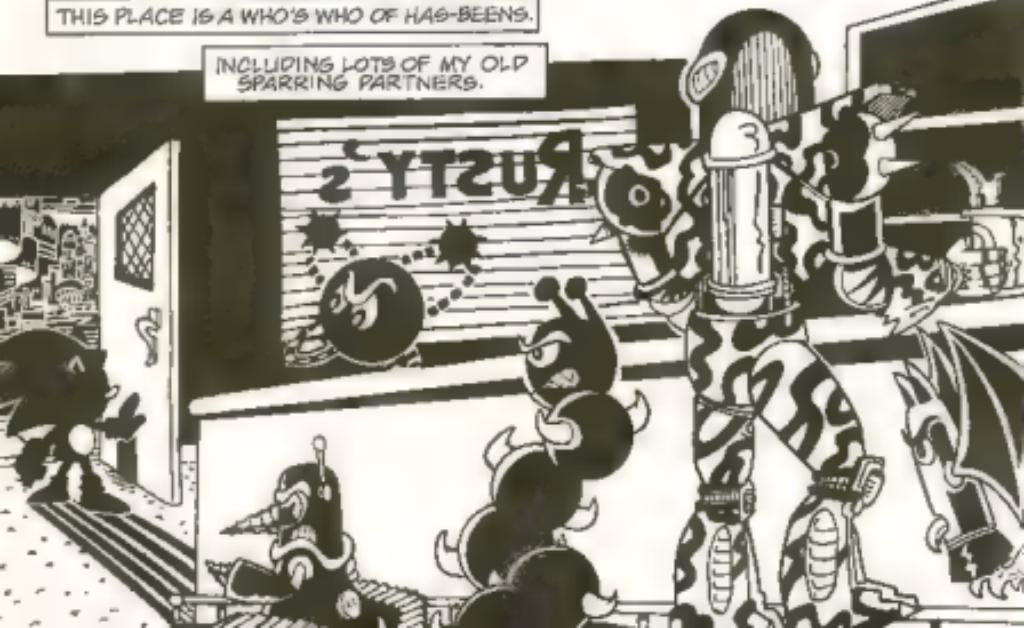
THE RAIN WAS  
LETTING UP...

BUT THE PARTY WAS  
ABOUT TO BEGIN.



THIS PLACE IS A WHO'S WHO OF HAS-BEENS.

INCLUDING LOTS OF MY OLD  
SPARRING PARTNERS.



I STROLL IN AND  
ORDER A  
CHILI DOG FLOAT.



AS SOON AS I  
SIT DOWN, I'M  
SURROUNDED.



THAT'S WHEN THE  
LIGHTS GO OUT.



A SPOTLIGHT PIERCES  
THE DARKNESS...



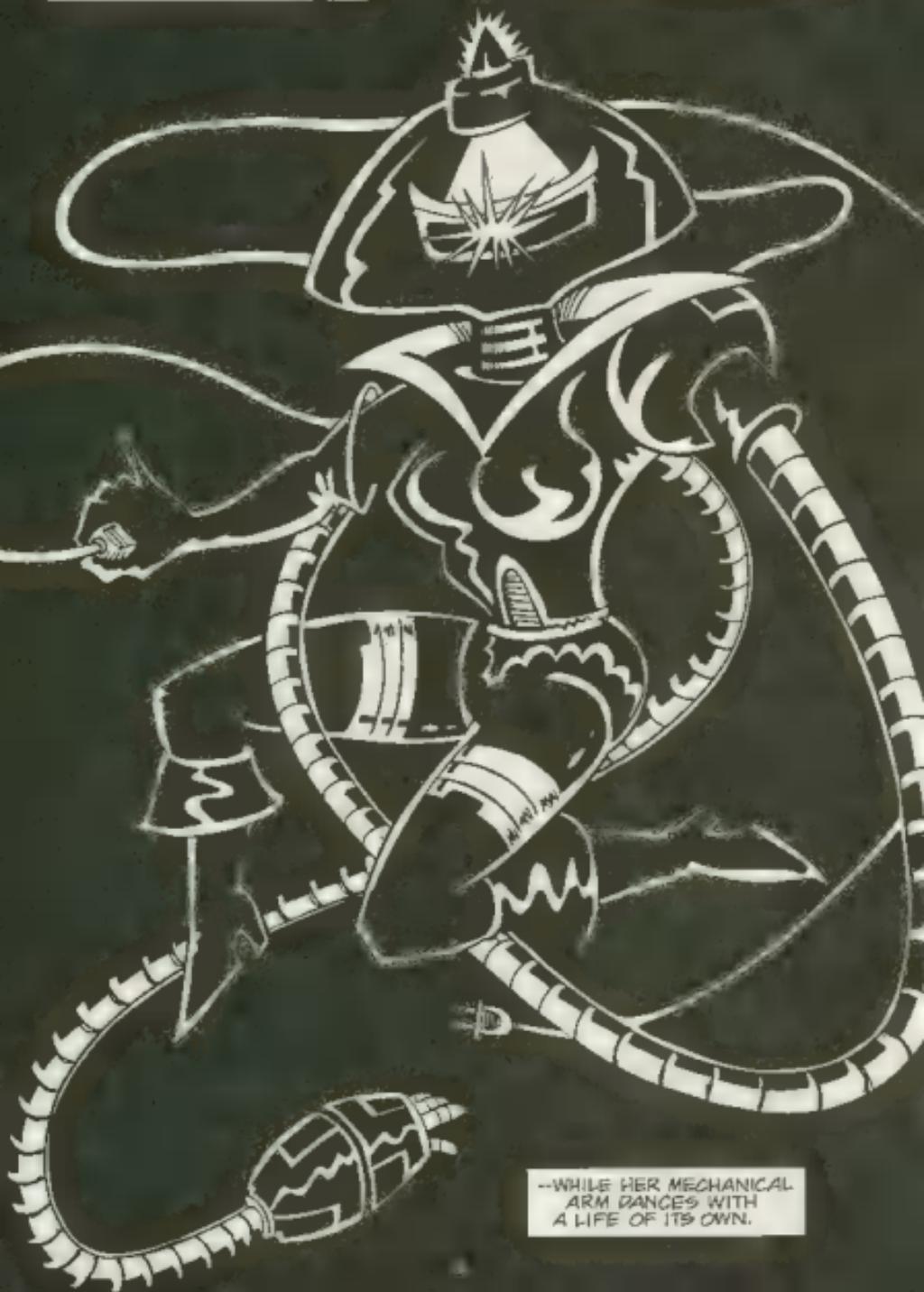
LIGHTING UP A  
SMALL STAGE.

SCRATCHY  
MUSIC  
STARTS—

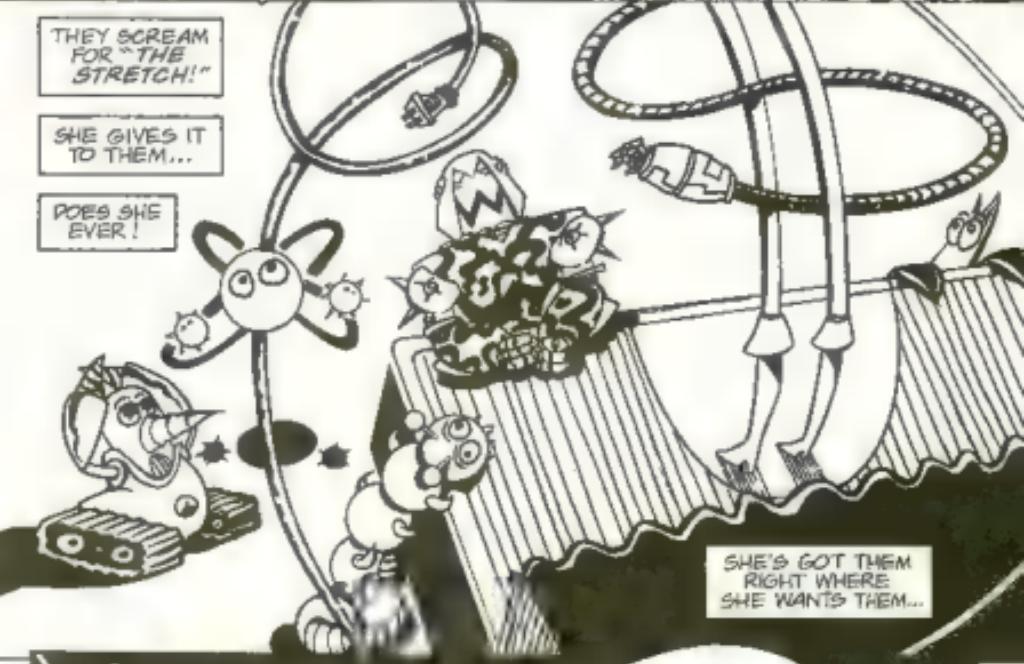
THEY TURN  
AND GO  
LIKE MOTHS  
TO A  
FLAME.

SHE SLINKS OUT...THE OLD  
BOARDS GROAN IN HARMONY  
WITH RUSTY'S CUSTOMERS.

SHE'S SLINGIN' A DOUBLE  
PRONGED TWO-TWENTY CORD--



--WHILE HER MECHANICAL  
ARM DANCES WITH  
A LIFE OF ITS OWN.



SHE'S GOT THEM  
RIGHT WHERE  
SHE WANTS THEM...



BLUNNIE GOES DOWN HARD.

HER HELMET POPS OFF—I MOVE IN.

THE JIG IS UP.

NOTHING ELSE TO DO EXCEPT...



IT'S OVER--

--THEN AGAIN...

ONE OF ROBOTNIK'S  
OLDEST TRICKS...

A COMBOT WITH  
A SELF-DESTRUCT  
SYSTEM IN ITS  
HEAD...

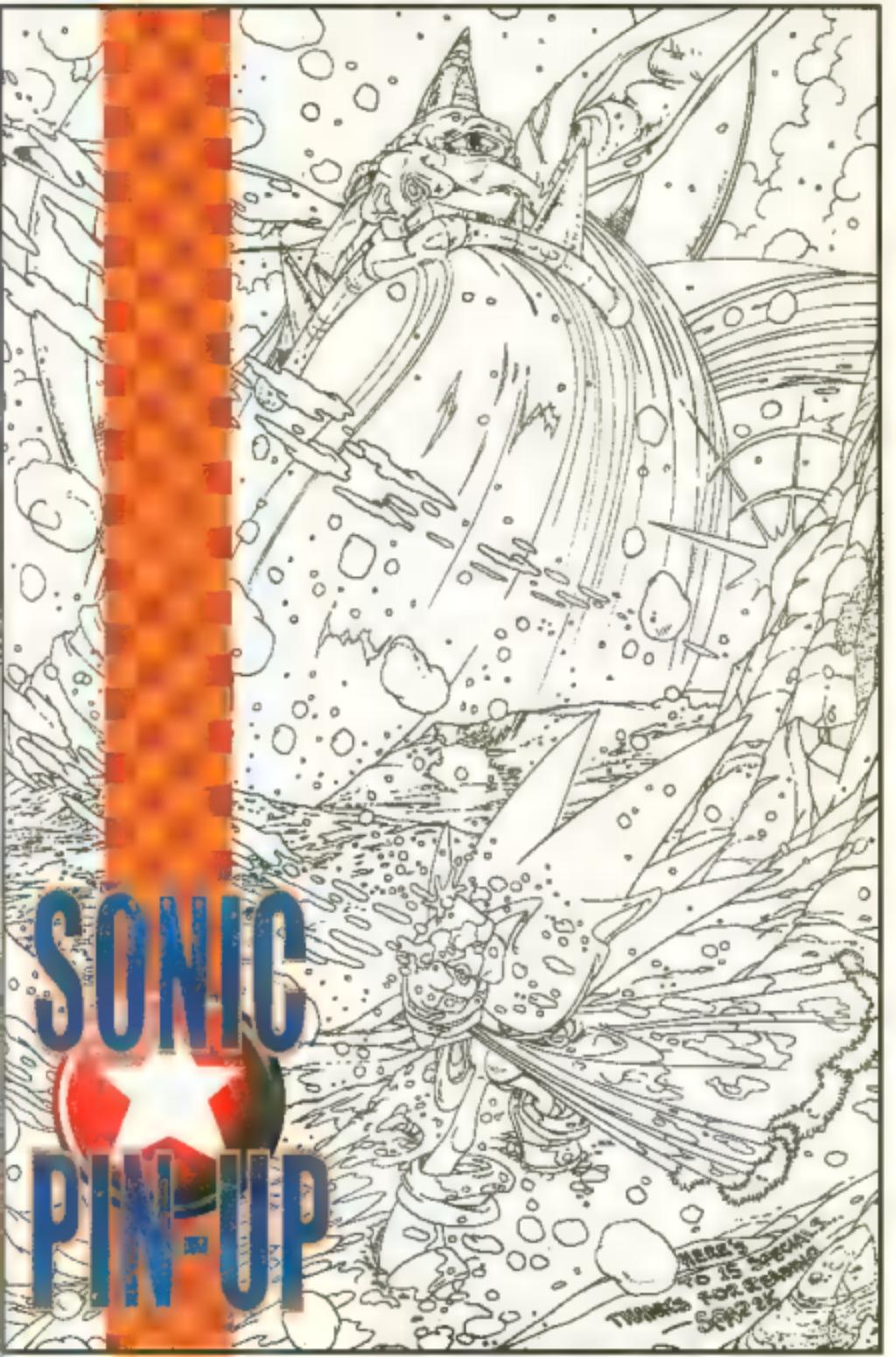
TIME TO GO!

WE'RE CLEAR BY THE TIME  
RUSTY'S BLOWS SKY HIGH.

LIKE I SAID  
IT WAS A  
SET-UP.

ONLY THIS TIME, WE DID  
THE SETTING UP!

FIN



# SONIC PIN-UP

HERE'S  
TO 15 YEARS  
THUMBS UP READING  
SERIES

# SONIC GRAMS

## SUPER SPECIAL

### Here's what you fans thought of our last batch of **SUPER SPECIALS** :

Dear Sonic,

I just got your new "Sonic Adventure" game. I've got all of your games except "Sonic Jam" and "Sonic Extreme." My friend told me there were Sonic toys in stores, but I've yet to see any. Anyway, the first time I played "Sonic Adventure," I played from 8:00 am - 11:45 pm. One question: Are the Mystic Ruins part of the Floating Island? Well, write to ya soon.

Scott Ogden, (age 11), O'Fallon, IL

We hope you took a whole lot of breaks while playing "Sonic Adventure," Scott! Sixteen hours is a really long time to engage in any activity! The Mystic Ruins are not part of the Floating Island, instead they are located several miles outside of Station Square.

Dear Sonic-Grams,

I've been a fan since SONIC #9, and think your comics have improved with every issue. I recently finished playing "Sonic Adventure" on the SEGA Dreamcast, and I think you are doing a great adaptation of it. Adding in an age-old war between the Echidna and cat race was genius. I disagree with Tamara Lucas' comments in SONIC SUPER SPECIAL #13's Sonic-Grams. I say the new characters, the better! Also, since you've done so well with the story for the last seven years, I'm sure you'll continue doing so. Now, a few questions: 1) Why aren't you going to complete the E-102 and Amy Rose stories? I

think they will together quite well in the game. 2) In Sonic Underground, why does Sonic appear as a prince with two siblings who are in a rock band? Before I go, tell Spar and FRY to keep up the fantastic work!

Barry Harmon, Minneapolis, MN

- 1) Sorry about that, Barry, but we plain old ran out of space!
- 2) Sonic Underground occurs in an alternate zone reality, hence the difference in the status quo...

Dear Sonic, Knuckles, & Tails...

I just read SONIC SUPER SPECIAL #13!!! I have to say that it was the best comic I ever read, out of any comic ever produced by your artists and writers! I've been your fan for the past three and a half years. I've got some questions: 1) Is Chaos going to return? 2) Where did Chaos come from? 3) What was that spark circling Knuckles' head?

Krzysztof B., (age 14), CRONICA

- 1) It doesn't seem too likely, Krzysztof! 2) Chaos was a native of the environment around the Mystic Ruins. 3) That spark circling Knuckles' head was the Echidna girl, Tical.

Dear Sonic Super Special,

SONIC SUPER SPECIAL #14 was great! It was Evil Sonic who deserved to be placed under arrest, and if Sonic had ended up in jail that would have been a huge mistake. I'm glad he got away. Besides, he's no fugitive. As for the wedding between Lulu and Lara-le, that was fine. As for Jin-su being trapped, I hate that. I can't wait to see what will happen next!

Kim Bratton, Citrus Heights, CA

Glad you enjoyed the last issue, Kim. Thanks for sharing your thoughts, and we promise

even more exciting adventures. This may be our farewell SUPER SPECIAL, but the fun will continue in the pages of SONIC THE HEDGEHOG.

Dear Sonic-Grams,

I love this comic! SONIC SPECIAL #14 was great, especially "Law of the Land"! Also, what are you waiting for? Give Knuckles his series back! Ever since you canceled it, the store where I buy my comics has gotten rid of it! It's driving me crazy! And give Tails his own comic— he deserves it!

Paul Roberts, Lakewood, KS

While there are no immediate plans to bring back the KNUCKLES series, we hope you've been keeping up with our ever-lovin' Echidna over in SONIC THE HEDGEHOG!

Dear Sonic,

I've been reading your comic for a while now and I have some questions: 1) When King Max goes to heaven (or whatever), will Sally become queen or will Elias become king? 2) Will there be more "Lupe and the Wolf Pack" adventures? I think they should have their own series!

Julia Pfeu, Chicago, IL

- 1) Though the King isn't going anywhere, that question will soon be answered in SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #91, Julia.
- 2) A series featuring the Wolfpack! This doesn't seem likely to happen any time in the near future, since poor Lupe was roboticized back in SONIC SUPER SPECIAL #14!

To Sonic,

I have more questions for you: 1) Is Knuckles a good friend to yours? 2) Why? 3) Why do you like chili-dogs so much? I love your TV show, The Adventures of Sonic the Hedgehog.

Mariah Skiba, (age 11), IL, Clairsville, OH

- 1) Sonic and Knuckles began their relationship as reluctant allies, but now they are good buds! 2) Even though they had their differences, Sonic and

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Knuckles realized that they could only defeat Doctor Robotnik by working together. 3) Sonic loves chilidogs because his Uncle Chuck operated his own chilidog stand in Mobotropolis! Sonic was practically raised on a steady diet of 'em!

Dear Editor,

Bring back KNUCKLES! I have a twelve-issue subscription to SONIC THE HEDGEHOG! If the KNUCKLES comic returns, I'll definitely get a subscription in that issue, too! Please, I'm on my knees, begging you to bring back KNUCKLES! And don't even think about canceling the SONIC series!

R.J. James, (age 14), Haskati, MI

Thanks for the heartfelt letter, R.J. Yours is one of many letters we receive demanding the return of Knux to a 12-page format! Keep the faith!

Dear Sonic,

Will you ever get rid of Robotnik, or will he be around forever? Also, will you and Sally ever get married for real? And if so, will you have any kids?

Ely Bauer, Citrus Heights, CA

This new version of Doctor Robotnik has been roboticized, Elly, as he doesn't age or get sick (unless he catches a computer virus). In other words, he's one tough customer and from the look of things, Sonic could be someday facing off against him in a retirement community! Only time will tell if Sonic and Sally ever tie the knot...

Dear Sonic-gram,

Hey! The "Sonic Adventure" adaptation was okay! Questions: 1) What the heck happened to Mack the Weasel? 2) How about making Knuckles and Sally go home, since I have been being with Julie-su?

Andrew "Hackman" Shiles, Kearny, NJ

1) Hack was last seen skyjacking Sonic's bi-plane in SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #70 along with some other no-goodniks, "Hackman!" 2) Does Sonic get any say in the matter?

Dear Sonic,

I have three questions and one comment: 1) How old are you? 2) Are you going to marry Sally? 3) How old is your Uncle Chuck? You are so cute—I want to someday marry you!

Morgan Williams, Springfield, IL

1) Sonic is sixteen years old, Morgan! 2) Sonic says he doesn't know if he'll marry Sally. He's too young to think about it right now. 3) Uncle Chuck is, well...older than Sonic's father, but younger than Nate Morgan! How's that?

Dear Sonic-gram,

I missed out on a lot of SONIC issues, but now I'm collecting the "Sonic Adventure" adaptations and they're even better! I understand that KNUCKLES didn't sell as well as SONIC, but I'm still disappointed to see it canceled. I hope you guys bring him back into action real soon because I missed all his issues! I beat "Sonic Adventure" and got to play all the secret characters. Now it's time a challenge anymore and I'm waiting for "Sonic Adventure 2." I've got some questions for you now: 1) Are Bunnie and Antoine in love? 2) Why aren't the Freedom Fighters and the Chaotix in the "Sonic Adventure" game? 3) Does Julie-su go out with Knuckles? Goodbye!

Clifford Johnson, Miami, FL

1) Bunnie and Antoine are indeed in love, Clifford! 2) Sonic's Freedom Fighters and Knuckles' Chaotix aren't a part of the "Sonic Adventure" game because they were created to be featured in the comic books specifically. 3) Julie-su and Knuckles have gone out on one date, but are they going out...? Good question. Stay tuned.

Dear Sonic,

Hi SONIC! #14 I think the backgrounds were drawn and colored extremely well. I have a couple of questions: 1) Who was the dog guy who looks like Arnold Schwarzenegger? 2) I want to be a SONIC artist someday. How do I do this? Ben Sackheim, Fairfield, NJ

1) That was General von Stryker, Ben! 2) We suggest a lot of practice drawing, plus some cartooning classes when you're a bit older!

Hey Dudes,

I don't mean to sound rude or anything, but what happened to Lupo really concerned me. It was hard when I saw that she was roboticized. Please don't leave her that way—she was one of my favorite characters. Here's hoping that she'll be brought back soon. Nick Hardin, St. Mary's, GA

No one misses Lupo more than her friends in the Wolf Pack. Nick, Lupo, like many others—including Sonic's Uncle Chuck—are now completely under Robotnik's sway.

Our job is to keep hoping that someday they'll be themselves once more.

## OTHER SONIC COMICS



### SONIC THE HEDGEHOG #59

is blazing hot and on sale now!

Doctor Robotnik... the winner?! The evil genius has stolen the mystical Sword of Acorns from Sonic, and now it belongs to him! Or does it? And, as if our true-blue hero didn't have enough problems, he's about to be flame-broiled by two unidentified falling objects! Will Rotor the Walrus return home in time to save his hedgehog friend? Take our word for it, boys and girls... it's not to be missed! Written by Karl Bollers, pencilled by FRY and Ron Lim, with inks by Andrew Pepoy and Jim Amash! Also, what has Knuckles become? Everyone wants to know and they're hiring the "Big Guns" to find out! Written by Ken Penders with art by Steven Butler and Pam Ellwood.

Well, that's it, gang! This is our final installment of SONIC SUPER SPECIAL. Thanks to all you cool fans who send in countless letters over the years!

## Hasta la vista

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